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Dayton, October 15-17

A fine program is outlined for the big joint meeting of Ohio and Indiana librarians and trustees at the Hotel Biltmore, Dayton, in October. The hotel is a beautiful new one and as there are several others in the city, everyone should be well cared for in that respect. The Dayton library and museum is interesting for what is being accomplished under difficulties. There are several good branch libraries worth visiting. The new Dayton Art Gallery will certainly attract some. Dayton is a busy, progressive, growing city and shows it. It is worth visiting. It is 35 miles southeast of Richmond on Road 11 and, Indians should remember, has Eastern Standard time.

There will be several headline speakers, librarians and others. There will be a round table meeting for almost any variety of librarian, and for those that are several varieties the meetings will be arranged so that various specialties will not overlap. Most of the meetings will be held in the Biltmore itself, though there are several other good places within a block or two.

As Ohio has over eight hundred members, the I. L. A. committee has been very busy trying to get at least five hundred Hoosiers enrolled. Miss Dunn, the treasurer, reports that several towns have 100% membership, including two large cities, Terre Haute and South Bend.

It will be a great meeting, if all go and help make it so!

CAN WE HAVE A SERVICE MEASURING STICK? WHAT GOOD IS IT?

Ella Hodges, Librarian, Mishawaka Public Library

My earliest reaction to the first part of the subject assigned me—Can we have a service measuring stick—was decided, and defiant NO, and an answer to the second part—What good is it—thereby became unnecessary. So simple was my task that I could dispose of the substance of my topic in one sentence and devote the remaining 19½ minutes of the time to a hilarious railing merely to express my inhibited hatred toward cold and treacherous statistics associated in my mind with a library measuring stick. In this way I could nearest approach the modern fiction author who writes not to make himself understood but to gratify his desire to express himself.

While still somewhat in this frame of mind, I read the article *Statistics* in a small library, by Marian P. Greene, librarian of the Alhambra public library, California, in an April number of the *Library Journal*. She prefaced her words with the poem:

"Statistics prove so many things:
The size of towns, the height of kings,
The age of children in the schools,
The skull development of fools,
The wealth of lucky millionaires,
The price of hens and mining shares—
All things below and things above,
It seems to me statistics prove.

But no; statistics never yet
Appraised a single violet,
Statistics never caught the gleam
That dances on a meadow stream
Or weighed the anthem of a bird
In forest aisles, devoutly heard;
Statistics never proved a soul
In high or low, in part or whole;
How much statistics cannot prove."

These verses I first saw at the very end of the last page of a number of the *LIBRARY OCCURRENT*. Miss Greene brought them to the head of an article. I seemed to think if I could only get them on the front page some place the whole case against statistics, and

measuring sticks would be rightly settled for all time.

In all this mind wandering I was dissatisfied with my easy settlement of the matter. In some way I feared it showed an ignorance and littleness on my part. I vaguely sensed I might be blaming a wall for being hard if I chose to knock my head against it. In other words, perhaps the fault might not be in the measuring stick but in my conception of it and my opinion of its use. After thinking the matter through, I am not only reconciled to our having a library service measuring stick, but I am enthusiastic about making one.

How did I experience this change of heart? I am sure a conviction of the importance of library service and a desire to have it generally recognized helped me. Perhaps I destroyed a fear of librarians who have sought to keep the light of library service under a bushel lest exposure to something mechanical would destroy its delicate nature. Perhaps I became calm and open minded when I realized the spirit of library service can never be touched by the material but only manifest in the material.

The idea of a measuring stick which I want to give you I have formulated from two lectures I heard William L. Bailey, professor of sociology in Northwestern University, give at an Illinois State Library Conference. Professor Bailey's field is community analysis. He arrived by some means known to the sociologist at a grouping of some 200 aspects of community needs of varying importance into eleven main heads, which are historical, economic, health, educational, vocational, social welfare, planning community relations, civic administration, religious, cultural, and recreational. In this plan he places the library as the chief agency where culture of the race is made available to people through the medium of literary materials, yet he states for every

community need there is a library service. It is this yardstick measure of serviceability to every main community need in a conscious and definite manner which the library should gain and use at every opportunity.

The first problem the idea presents to every librarian is a specific knowledge of her community. By some haphazard method most of us have recognized a number of aspects of community life and at one time or another have prided ourselves on our breadth of service, but few of us have been so thorough as to see how our service is definitely geared into each of eleven divisions of the activities of the life of our community. However, when we look about us, we find examples of this kind of work. Recent numbers of the *Booklist* show lists of books prepared by the Cleveland public library in coöperation with some motion picture based on a piece of literature. Is this not a definite service to the recreational need of the community? If we consider the long list of items of pleasure—motoring, entertainments, travel-vacations, movies, hobbies, the radio, etc., our opportunities in the one division of recreation are almost limitless.

Perhaps we have done something for the historical phase of the community by preserving records of the local interests, yet we need to be awake to this opportunity for service or history in the making will slip by unnoticed.

Again, we know work with the schools is a much discussed phase of library work, but do we just loan books at the hour of the school rush, or do we have a program of work with the schools with a definite aim to accomplish? According to Professor Bailey the schools are two and one-half times as important as the church, the library, or any of the other agencies of the community needs which in each case are of equal importance. With this in mind we should measure out two and one-half times as much service to the schools as to any other institution.

This relative emphasis of service governed by the character of our individual

community is the second part of the measure of library service. We have considered it necessary to know the number of residents in order to figure the cost per capita on our reports, and to know the assessed valuation of property in order to request a certain tax levy, but we have not gone so far as to learn the number of residents who are concerned with mere livelihood and devoted a like proportion of our work to the book needs of persons seeking a livelihood. Establishment of business branches and the deposit stations in industrial plants are steps in this direction, which we see in the larger systems of libraries. No doubt we in the smaller libraries would do well to let such knowledge govern us in book purchases and in publicity many times oftener than we do.

These views seem to separate a community into differences to the neglect of the common interests. They seem to stress the more material and practical aspects of life. This stress may not be out of proportion to its real importance in the life of the average person in the typical American community. Perhaps the library has too often neglected this fact and a measuring stick would correct it.

Thus to see our library as one of the important agencies of the community, to see the special needs of the community in the principal phases of common life activities, and then to consciously measure our service against these needs in a manner of their relative importance is to demonstrate wherein the library is a real piece of the texture of the community and not merely a cultural appendage.

Of what good is such a measuring stick? It will mean thoroughness against superficiality, definiteness against vagueness, sympathetic coöperation against perfunctory service, leadership among librarians versus clerkship.

Such a measuring stick has elasticity and dispels all my fears of a mechanical means bounding and binding library services. It allows initiative, and privileges and opportunities of personal service. It interprets

the library to the people of the community. It is life-giving instead of soul-killing. By caring for the big principles, the smaller items of circulation count, registration count, and reference count automatically take care of themselves.

A BOOK JAMBOREE

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INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Hidden! One hundred and nine titles of books. See if you can find them! Punctuation may be disregarded, but words must not be taken out of the order given.

Underscore the titles.

The call of the off-shore wind seemed to predict clearing weather and looking skyward we saw the new moon shining bright. The voyagers determined to get under sail by sunrise. The old brig's cargo was carried on board. The sailor's log was made out and Jim Davis had hidden the stowaway in Davy Jones's locker. In the gray dawn the trade wind carried the square-rigged vessel slowly out on the blue water and headed her westward ho! Thus began the first of the famous voyages of Captain Scott, until now, unknown to history.

Within 20 hrs. 40 min., the boy whaler sighted a whale and the cry arose, "She blows! and sparm at that!" Straight as the crow flies they were off pursuing the whale which led them a chase worthy of Moby Dick himself. Cruising back in the grey light, the pilot saw a dark frigate which proved to be a derelict manned with mutineers. Doubtless the ship had put off from Smugglers' Island and was sailing alone around the world. As the captain of the crew watched the ship approach, he ordered all hands on deck ready for instant combat. Hardly had the word been given, when a black buccaneer, followed by a great tattooed man sprang on deck. The captain's courageous companions fought like men of iron in the bright face of danger.

Could Otto of the silver hand hold his own against Tonty of the iron hand? Could Oliver twist the short sword from the clutch of the Corsican? Grit-a-plenty was needed! Peter had courage to attack with his bare hands the tawny sea devil who was brandishing his sword of Damascus steel. Spurred on by thoughts of pirate plunder, the pirate foes were gradually winning their way. Yet just at the crisis of the fray, a great typhoon broke and all hands turned storm fighters. All night long ships and cargoes tossed about like driftwood. Day broke to find the old jinx ship lying twenty thousand leagues under the sea, and the captain's vessel moored in a pearl lagoon bordering a mysterious island. In true boy fashion, Bob North starts exploring and is soon lost in the jungle. Eyes of the woods seem to be watching him. Lions'n tigers'n everything seem ready to spring upon him. He knows that his only chance of escape from that living forest of wild folk, lies in his nimble legs. Suddenly a black arrow shoots past him into the sky, high as eye could see.

Instantly he darted into a thicket and at the same time became aware that the atmosphere was smoky. Peering through the trees, he saw a little settlement of shelters, shacks and shanties. A little smoke was issuing from the chimneys. Upon entering one of the shacks, Bob found that it belonged to Ghond the hunter. He soon learned that the hunters of the hills had come to track Bambi, the spotted deer. Ghond saw that the life of the deerslayer was not tolerated by the boy scout and his law, and with a beau geste, he turned to talk of other things. He told many tales worth telling of the jungle beasts and men, of the red howling monkey who would not kill, of Kari the elephant, and of Hari the jungle lad. The boy in his turn told of his high adventure at sea. When the shadows were lengthening, the old hunter told the boy who was the pathfinder, that he must show Bob back to his ship. The hunter rose and saluted the boy. "Bob, son of battle, may jungle peace go with

thee!" With these words he slipped several pieces of gold into the boy's hand. The young trailers had no difficulty in finding their way to the ship. Making his pieces of eight jingle, Bob clambered on board well satisfied with his day's work, and was just in time to answer the roll call of honor and

to have the red badge of courage pinned on his breast.

Adventurers all, if you would seek the great quest, if the call of the wild sings in your heart, follow careers of danger and daring, for only by taking the highroads of peril, will you find new worlds to conquer.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT MEETINGS, 1930

Greencastle, April 29th

The librarians of the District met in Greencastle, April 29th, with Mrs. Fred V. Thomas, librarian of the Carnegie public library as chairman of the meeting. Mrs. Thomas opened the meeting with a gracious welcome to the visitors and introduced Professor Umfleet, director of the Purple Robed Choir. Mr. Umfleet organized the choir last year and it is composed of pupils in the sixth and seventh grades of the public schools. Under his direction, the choir sang the following numbers: Now let every tongue adore thee, I waited for the Lord, Beautiful Saviour, and God is good.

Prof. Raymond W. Pence selected for his subject Modern Biography, giving as reasons of interest that biography has been debunked to get at the truth; it is the interpretation of a previous age and new books had to be written to interest the present generation of readers. Under the first heading, factual biography, come the Life of John Marshall by Beveridge, and Letters of Lady Byron edited by Ethel Mayne; under the second, psychography, (Gamaliel Bradford's new term for the story of the *soul* of a man) come the biographies by Bradford, Lytton Strachey, and Andre Maurois; the third is the fictional type which he held in contempt as intermingling fact and fiction.

The slogan for this year, A county library in every county, as selected by the chairman, Miss Georgia McAfee, for the G.F.W.C., has been fulfilled by the Vermillion county clubs. Mrs. W. C. Wait, trustee of the new county library, told of the organized efforts of the women in the County Federa-

tion of Clubs to elect only women in favor of the library for the past four years and with the County Commissioners in favor and levying a tax the goal was achieved and a room has been given for library use in the Court House in Newport. This fall a trained librarian will be in charge.

Questions aired, gave Louis J. Bailey an opportunity to discuss the Detroit charging system. Miss Mary Foxworthy, of Ladoga, spoke on magazines to bind and other librarians took up the discussion, resulting in the opinion that each librarian would have to decide for her library the magazines most useful locally. During the discussion, the recommendation was made to bind the advertisements of one issue in each volume for possible value as a record of developments, as in the subject of aviation.

Why do we not get better reference service from the State library, was answered by Miss Florence Venn and she asked that librarians writing for material be more specific and indicate available material in order that the State library might not duplicate books; also to state the use to be made of the requested material, whether to be used by a college graduate or a high school student.

Miss Wilma Reeve read the preliminary program for the duo-state meeting for Ohio and Indiana, to be held in Dayton, Oct. 15-17. Miss Charlotte Lucas encouraged the librarians to join the A. L. A.

Luncheon was served by students of the Home Economics department of the Greencastle high school and 88 guests were present.

Through the courtesy of the DePauw librarians, Prof. F. C. Tilden and Miss

Margaret Gilmore, visits were made to the Lucy Rowland residence hall for women and to the college library.

The afternoon session was opened with Mr. Bailey presiding. Roll Call was responded to by representatives from twenty towns. Miss Marie Thale, of the Historical division of the State library, impressed the fact that librarians should make every effort to preserve local history and records and this collection should be kept separately.

Miss Carrie E. Scott talked on Summer reading for children with objectives the joy of reading and the circulation of books by means of a definite list or without lists. During the summer vacations these plans have been used successfully by the Indianapolis public library. In the contest plan between Central and the Branches the winner was the library having the largest number of children enrolled and the largest number of books read. Plans for the children's reading:

A selected group of books—designated by gold stars, from which the children selected the books they desired to read, with name on Honor Roll and a gold star after the name of child for each book read and a diploma presented at the close of the vacation. Oral reports were given to librarians in this plan.

Adventures in reading and Further adventures in reading were used for two summers. Journeys through Bookland required a written report and books were selected from a vacation list which was the passport to Bookland.

The Rainbow proved to be the most popular of plans and the books were marked with the stars of rainbow colors, one color for each subject. Each reader was required to read one book of each color and four books of his own selection. Ten books were read to win a diploma.

Voyages among books offered the opportunity of introducing the travel books to the young patrons so log books with blanks to be filled in were given to those signing up for the trip.

When Treasure Hunts were introduced as

novel entertainments the idea was carried out by children's librarians and the Treasure Hunt plan with the list of questions and answers required careful reading for the staff and youthful readers. This plan proved to be irksome to some and unfair to others who traded the information.

A ramble among books, with a neat little record book in which the author, title and reports were written, interested the children and an added feature of interest was the list of names in *Reader's Ink* and a picture in the daily paper.

At one branch library, lists were compiled for the different countries, to be used for an airplane trip. Before a large map of the world, small airplanes were suspended and when the child registered for the trip a small airplane bookmark was given him. After reading the books about the countries, a colored crayon mark was made on the airplane and this has proven of much interest to many children.

Definite plans for this summer have not been made but the contest will be discontinued and reading for joy will be encouraged. A few points to be noted in planning vacation reading for children are: parents approve definite lists of books and children enjoy the lists, but when reading from a list will not take out other books and are disappointed when unable to procure the book desired; children sometimes read to win the gold star awards; but all approve of the diploma awarded for reading ten books or more. In closing her talk, Miss Scott told of the library booth for the Boy Scouts' Exposition and read a Boy Scouts' Jamboree, a story with hidden titles written by Miss Evelyn Sickels.

As chairman of the Indiana poetry committee Mrs. Esther Arnold Tilden of Greencastle asked the librarians to observe poetry week and to buy books of poetry. As Mrs. Tilden, the poet, she read her poems, Provincial, George Rogers Clark 1779-1929, Prayers for the Night, Prayers for Morning, At the Market, Indianapolis and Changeling.

The meeting adjourned and tea was

served by the trustees and Mrs. Thomas, Miss Gilmore and their staffs.

Ruth E. Adamson,
Secretary.

Fowler, May 1st

Mrs. Kate Hay, librarian of the Fowler public library, gave an address of welcome and presided at the meeting. Twenty-five libraries were represented by seventy-six people. The meeting was a very pleasant one and very interesting throughout the entire day.

Miss Dorothy V. Agnes of Royal Center was the first on the program. Her subject was Budgeting time and energy. A few of the outstanding thoughts of her talk were the importance of a comfortable time schedule, what a librarian does preceding the time of going on duty, the importance of a vacation, the necessity of time to play and an occasional all day free.

Miss Katharine Fisher, librarian of Attica, introduced the subject of Shelves: front, back and dark. She stressed the importance of keeping all shelves clean and in order and of making all shelves as bright as front shelves, and also as wide a use as possible of display shelves to call special attention to outstanding books. Miss Fisher objected to a dark shelf, stating that only books should be selected that may be offered for the reader to choose. Miss Edith Thompson, librarian of Frankfort, took up the discussion of pay shelves. Miss Thompson had a member of her staff tell of the details of organizing a duplicate pay collection, which to-date has been found very successful. Miss Thompson collected some data from libraries which have a rental shelf, and all find that it pays and answers a real need for more copies of the popular books than can be purchased from regular funds. Logansport reported the amount of money which they received from their rental shelf for the year as \$500. There are a few objections to a rental shelf, but the reports at this meeting were more in favor than against.

The subject of Books: overdue, reserve

and lost was discussed by Miss Alma Doyle of Winamac and Miss Lenore Gillespie of Boswell. These talks brought forth much discussion in regard to lost books. It is a fact that more books are being lost and that people do violate the library rules, but this is true of every institution and the best to be done is to make every effort to help readers to care for public property.

Roll Call—What should I do about this problem—brought out many interesting subjects. One was How shall I keep the children interested in reading during the summer? Several plans of vacation reading were discussed, and most of them had been found good. At the end of the season some libraries give a free ticket to the movies, others a library party, and many award a certificate of reading.

A delicious luncheon was served at the noon hour by the ladies of the Presbyterian church.

The afternoon session opened with a talk by Miss Mable L. Deeds, librarian of the Oxford library, on the subject How and why the small library must weed. Miss Deeds reviewed the controversy between Lutie E. Sterns and Mary Katherine Reeley, published in the Wisconsin *Bulletin* for June and October 1929. This controversy was under the titles Relieving crowded shelves and Weed at your peril. Miss Deeds approved the articles as well worth study. She said that the shelves should be combed taking out:

1. All books too dirty and worn to be used. Later these should be separated into discards and books that can be mended, rebound or replaced.
2. Books in unreadable editions—the old fine-print, poor paper editions of Dickens, Scott, Thackeray, etc.
3. Novels outmoded. Elizabeth Stuart Phelps Ward, Mrs. Humphrey Ward, Marie Corelli, Myrtle Reed, etc. Not standards, but popular things of quite another period in which this generation seems not to have the faintest interest.
4. Trivial books badly worn, badly torn, and not worth replacing.

5. Books either inside or outside the foregoing classes that have not circulated within the year. Take books from shelves on basis of appearance, use and present value of subject matter. Some of these books which are doubtful as to use might be placed in an experimental stack and a final trial given before discarding. If proper care is used there can be no objection to using this method in the small library.

Mrs. Eva Dickey of West Lafayette spoke on Equalizing library opportunities—town and country. This led into County library discussion, a subject in which all small libraries are greatly interested. J. Fred Hull, superintendent of schools in Benton county, stated that the county library was the best way to equalize library service, giving many examples of the benefit to students and readers that he had observed.

Mrs. Katherine Bolt of Otterbein discussed the subject What does the library trustee mean to the library and the librarian. The trustee is an important factor in the success of the library. Not only should he represent the community in a financial capacity but he should understand the needs of the library and help to interpret the library and the opportunities it offers to his fellow citizens. Let his attitude be broad minded, liberal and generous and the library will grow happily, otherwise much good work may be handicapped.

Miss Lucille Brown, librarian of Otterbein, discussed the subject Can the public understand our catalog. She brought out the importance of much analytical work, and the value of assisting readers to help themselves through a proper understanding of the catalog.

A vote of appreciation was given the Fowler people for their hospitality, and to the librarian and her staff.

Nora Gardner,
Secretary.

Hammond, May 2nd

The District library meeting held on Friday, May 2, at the Hammond Woman's Club, was attended by more than one hundred

librarians and library trustees representing sixteen cities and towns in northwestern Indiana. James A. Howard, librarian of Hammond public library and chairman of the meeting, had arranged a unique and thoroughly original program best described by the phrase "The most interesting" for each one of the series of brief talks which made up the greater part of the program was prefaced by the remark "the most interesting."

L. L. Caldwell, superintendent of schools and trustee of the Hammond public library, opened the morning session with a cordial address of welcome. He pointed out the fact that the public library is one of the fundamental influences in any city, and he stressed the necessity for the librarian to be a vital force in the community.

Miss Catherine Thiele of the Whiting public library began the series of five minute talks with a graphic description of The most interesting library patron. Miss Margaret Wallace of Gary chose for her talk The most interesting book I have read this year. She selected Humanity uprooted, by Maurice Hindus which is a stimulating series of studies of the social forces and conditions that characterize the Soviet Union and a commentary upon contemporary Russian life. Hitty; her first hundred years, by Rachel Field, was delightfully reviewed by Miss Bessie Glawe of East Chicago as The most interesting child's book I have read this year. She emphasized the fact that Miss Field has not only written an entertaining story but has vividly recreated the 1800 American scene.

Talking upon The most interesting feature of membership in the A.L.A. Miss Orpha Maud Peters of Gary stated that the Carnegie Corporation has given a million dollar endowment to the American Library Association and has promised a second million if the association itself can raise a like amount. She pointed out the fact that each new membership in the association counts twenty to one toward the forthcoming million and urged the value of membership in the A.L.A.

Selecting Edward Ellsberg's *On the bottom as The most interesting adventure book* I have read this year, Miss Mary Jane Ruch of the Hammond library gave an absorbing account of the incredibly difficult task of raising the U. S. submarine S-51. Frank H. Whitmore, librarian of the East Chicago public library, chose *Time* as the most interesting magazine he reads for an entertaining and unusually helpful talk. He commented upon its broad scope, its impartial view-point, the conciseness of its articles, and the pungent quality of its style which he characterized as being a "mixture of the journalist's skill and the historian's art." In discussing an unusual reference question Miss Mary Maxwell of the LaPorte library related how she had come upon an account in a local paper of September 1863, of the magazines and newspapers in the LaPorte public library. The high quality of the periodicals proved that even at that time LaPorte was a literary-minded community.

Morocco bound, by Edwin Mitchell, a travel book in name only, was interestingly reviewed by Miss Marjorie Bowers of Gary. In this book Mr. Mitchell gives entertaining reminiscences about the delights of the profession of book selling. Miss Emily Van Dorn Miller, editor of publications, American Library Association, gave a splendid talk on *The most interesting titles on the A.L.A. list of publications*. She mentioned Arthur E. Bostwick's *Some principles of business-like conduct in libraries*, *Publicity for small libraries*, by Carl C. Cannon, and the *Subscription books* bulletin prepared at the A.L.A. headquarters as three of the most useful publications of the American Library Association. Miss Jessie Gay Van Cleve, specialist in children's literature, of the headquarters of the American Library Association, spoke entertainingly upon *The most interesting phase of library work*. She gave a brief resume of the history of library work with children and stated that the important thing of today is a scientific study of children's reading and children's reading habits.

Jump! Tales of the Caterpillar Club, by Don Glassman, was selected by Miss Betty Conrad of the Michigan City public library as an unusually interesting child's book. It differs from the usual aviation story in that it is devoted almost entirely to accounts of parachute jumping and contains a good summary of the history of the parachute. Speaking upon *The most interesting class work I have had*, Miss Inez Paul of South Bend told how she had been able to interest a parochial school in a foreign district in the library through a class in library instruction. Miss Leona Hawver, librarian of the Hammond high school, gave an enthusiastic talk upon several travel books. Among those she briefly reviewed were *Fabulous New Orleans*, by Lyle Saxon, *Story Book Europe*, by Anne Peck, and *Through Europe on two dollars a day*, by Frank Schoonmaker.

An account of a book fair held at the Emerson high school, Gary, was given in a helpful talk upon *The most interesting school library project* by Miss Velma Shaffer of Gary. Mrs. Catherine Anderes, also of Gary, gave an interesting summary of a series of staff meetings planned and carried out in the Gary public library. Miss Ethel Else, librarian of the Bailey branch of the Gary public library, gave an entertaining account of her work in a foreign settlement comprising thirty-five nationalities.

An urgent appeal for membership in the Indiana Library Association was made by Miss Hazel F. Long, librarian of the Whiting public library, in her talk upon *The most interesting library association*. William J. Hamilton, librarian of the Gary public library, gave a brief description of the beautiful new East Side branch library, the seventh branch to be added to the Gary public library system. Other speakers of the morning were Miss Margaret Southwick, superintendent of English and libraries in the Gary public schools, who talked briefly upon the development of school library work, and Mrs. Vivian Lockridge, librarian of the LaPorte public library, who re-

lated an amusing incident in connection with two of her youthful library patrons.

After luncheon, which was also served in the Hammond Woman's Club, Miss Florence Irwin, librarian of Washington high school, East Chicago, discussed briefly some of the most interesting library meetings she had attended. She mentioned the A. L. A. convention at Toronto in 1927 and the library meetings held each summer at Chautauqua. Mrs. Edward Baske, trustee of the Wanatah public library, talked entertainingly upon The most interesting library I know. She told of the founding of the Wanatah library and of its splendid growth. Miss Helen Benney, librarian of the Valparaiso high school, selected Stefansson's Friendly Arctic for a talk upon The most interesting book review I have heard this year. Miss Hazel B. Warren, chief of the Extension division of the Indiana state library, spoke delightfully about extension work. She commented briefly upon the growth of library work within the state and particularly county library service. Kullu of the carts, by John Eyton, an unusually good story which makes one feel the true spirit of India, was selected by Miss Florence Bennett of South Bend as the most interesting child's book of the past year. Frank Rosengren, bookseller of Chicago, speaking upon My most interesting sale of last year, told how he had accidentally discovered in his possession a copy of Edgar Allen Poe's Murders in the Rue Morgue published by the author in 1843. There are only four other copies in existence, all in famous libraries on the east and west coasts. Mr. Rosengren's copy was sold to a private collector in Indianapolis for a sum in excess of \$10,000.

Miss Clara Rolfs of the Gary public library outlined briefly the plans for the Indiana state library meeting to be held jointly with the Ohio state association at Dayton, October 15-17, and urged a large attendance of Indiana librarians. Of unusual interest was the talk of Miss Margaret Demchevsky, library specialist, Bureau of education, Bulgaria, who spoke upon My most interesting impressions of

America. She stated that the personality of the American librarian is the outstanding thing in library service in this country.

The concluding hour of the program was given over to the State library. Miss Nellie M. Coats, talking upon the work of the Reference department, outlined the resources of the State library. She pointed out that the state has a good collection of public documents, a collection of music, plays, and pictures, a great deal of Indiana material, and a good general reference collection strong in history and political science. She urged that libraries throughout the state make their requests as definite as possible so that the State library might aid them more efficiently.

Miss Helene H. Rogers of the South Branch of the Evanston public library and a representative of the Demco Library Supplies discussed the Detroit charging system. She recommended it as being entirely practical and a great time saver.

Louis J. Bailey, director of the State library, closed the program with an enlightening talk upon the plans for the new state library building and a discussion of library work generally throughout the state. Among other interesting comments, he stated that of the two hundred and twenty libraries in the state, ten circulate half the books, and that over 70% of the libraries in Indiana have an income of less than \$5,000. He also stated that the rapid increase in library work has made larger appropriations for libraries imperative.

Mr. Howard cordially invited the visiting librarians and trustees to attend Hammond's First book review evening, celebrating the occasion of the Hammond public library's twenty-fifth anniversary.

Lena E. Polson,
Secretary.

Linton, May 7th

With about forty-five librarians, trustees and guests present, the district meeting at Linton was quite interesting and helpful in every way.

The meeting was opened with Miss Mar-

garet Cooper, Linton librarian, extending a word of welcome. Charles Wolford, president of the Linton library board, also greeted the librarians and trustees and expressed his hope of their finding the short visit in Linton enjoyable. A very clever reading, The three breakfasts, was given by Mrs. David Shields of Linton, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Gerna Gunnison of Brazil led discussion on summer reading clubs, with important points being brought out by Miss Cooper, Mrs. Barrick of Jasonville, and Miss Jane Kitchell of Vincennes. A general discussion of non-fiction led by Mrs. Barrick proved quite helpful, since that is quite a problem for all librarians.

The mayor of Linton, Dr. E. V. Bull, gave a short address of welcome at the luncheon, which was served at the American Legion Home, followed by an interesting musical program given by Miss Ethel Beckwith, Mrs. Mary Watson, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hamilton of Linton, which was graciously received.

The afternoon session was opened with responses to Roll Call on Means of publicity. Miss Jane Kitchell gave a most helpful talk and paper on What periodicals should a small library buy and bind. Among other things Miss Kitchell said: "Many of the magazines which appear on the news-stands are not to be found on library racks or tables. It is true we treasure the dignified quarterlies, journals of learned societies, but the periodicals most frequently used are the popular and literary, current events magazines and technical journals. A test recently made in the Chicago public library showed that the *Literary Digest*, *Nation*, *Outlook*, *New Republic*, *Scientific American*, *School Review* and *Living Age* are most in demand for reference purposes. Files from 1918 to date will answer a very large proportion of the questions asked in the average library. We are all agreed that periodicals for reference work are a necessity. More than ever the reading public of the U. S. is a periodical reading public. It is often the only thing many will read. If the best

periodicals the public can be induced to read are provided there is no need of regret on the librarian's part. It is the quality of the matter read which counts, not the form in which it is presented. The small library unable to take more than a dozen periodicals will in almost every case be influenced by local demands, such as no compiler of general lists could possibly foresee. The following condition should as far as possible be fulfilled by each magazine taken: 1. The users of the library will read it. 2. Highest quality. 3. It should meet some social or industrial need of the community. 4. It should offend no part of the community through partisanship or unfair criticism. 5. As far as possible it should be of permanent value for reading and for reference. 6. It should not cost more for its subscription and preservation than the library can afford. We are all striving for 'the greatest good to the greatest number.' And now we come to the question What shall we bind? which has given me more gray hair than anything I know. Our library has always bound a great number of magazines. When the funds of the library permit, magazines which have proved to be of permanent value in reference work should be bound. For several years the price of binding has been steadily rising. The old tendency to bind all magazines regularly taken by the library is no longer feasible. The expense is prohibitive. No bound periodical file is certain. Long files of unused or seldom used magazines take up shelf room, which in a small library can often be better used. It is obvious that the library which has no facilities for reference work should even be more cautious of periodical binding. Periodicals can be used without being permanently bound. On the other hand, those who advocate no binding of periodicals go too far unless they qualify their statement by confining it to libraries where little reference work, aside from the use of current material, is done. Miss Mary Hazeltine in her Fundamentals of reference service recommends for first binding, *Atlantic*, *Literary Digest*, *National Geographic*, *Out-*

look, *Independent*, *Review of Reviews*, *St. Nicholas*, *Survey*, *World's Work*, *Wisconsin Library Bulletin* and *Booklist*. Most librarians would make two or three obvious changes to suit local conditions, but the list is typical of the kind of periodical files suitable as a basis for a bound collection. Of course there are always pamphlet boxes and vertical files for storing unbound magazines as well as clippings and information files. The vertical file is economical of floor space but its chief objection is the cost of the files. Magazines which are not likely to be of reference value for a considerable time should seldom be bound. New magazines should not be bound until their value to the library has been demonstrated. Magazines, like books, should not be hoarded needlessly. It is seldom necessary for the small public library to keep unbound magazines more than five years. If by this time they have not become valuable enough to bind they are in most cases probably not worth keeping as a file."

Louis J. Bailey, of the State library, then explained What the State library means to us, and also told of the joint meeting of I. L. A. with Ohio this fall. Miss Bertha Botts of Sullivan talked on The ideal board, and Dr. H. H. Thacker of Brazil added a few words by explaining the trustee's duty to his library. A representative of the Demco Library Supplies, Miss Rogers of Evanston, Illinois, was present and had a lantern slide showing the Detroit charging system, which was one of the most interesting features of the day. Miss Hazel B. Warren, chief of the Extension Division, then held a twenty minute Question Box and many helpful questions were answered and suggestions given.

At the close of the afternoon meeting a rising vote of thanks was given to the Linton librarians and trustees for having made the day such an enjoyable and profitable one, and quite a lovely tea was then served by the members of the Linton library board.

Marie Torr,
Secretary.

Evansville, May 8th

The meeting at Evansville was held May 8, with seventy-five trustees and librarians present. Practically every library in the district was represented.

The morning session was held at the beautiful West side library, which corresponds in its operations more to the requirements of the average smaller town library.

Miss Ethel F. McCollough, Evansville librarian and hostess for the meeting, presided at the morning session. The delegates responded to roll call with What shall I do about this? This furnished a clearing house for the perplexities that had accumulated during the year. The discussions were brief and to the point.

Miss Grace Walker, chief of the catalog department of the Evansville public library, gave a most interesting and helpful talk on Cataloging from a reference standpoint. She emphasized the fact that the cataloger's problems are the same as those of the reference department; that all phases of knowledge, all local needs must be met thereby; that the two extremes of the library are people as people and thirst for knowledge; that the catalog is the link between the library and the seeker, the point of contact between the librarian and the searcher. In this important relation the cataloger is subject to much criticism should she fail to meet these needs. The cataloger must have vision, wisdom and imagination, along with "book sense." She must be able to quickly and easily scan books, analyse, and think straight through to the end. Something more is needed than the mere mechanics. Each book is a problem. A good catalog demands that the "crooked ways be made straight"; that the money spent may thereby become more or less visible. Entries should be made specific and definite; remember that title cards are of first importance to the public, and that cross references should be used freely. Promptness in getting new books cataloged is essential to good service.

Rev. Placidus Kempf, librarian at St.

Meinrad's Abbey, located within this district, gave to those present vivid word pictures of a cloistered library of something like 32,000 volumes, many of them exceedingly rare. He presented the medieval age as a book age; that no expense has been spared in collecting books and manuscripts of both informative and historical value. The eleven or twelve years training of the priests require vast resources in the way of a reference library and the writings of the Fathers from as early a date as 200 A. D. Several languages are represented, Latin, Greek, Coptic, etc., and special provision has been made for the preservation of Bible records. Rev. Kempf brought from the Abbey an exhibit of rare books and rolls, tomes bound in sheepskin and hand-printed parchments. Rev. Kempf plans to take special training in present day librarianship. Both the talk and the exhibit were an outstanding feature of the day.

Louis J. Bailey gave one of his practical talks on The State library and you. He presented the present conditions at the State library and the plans for the future; how best it can serve over the state, and how the local libraries can cooperate to get the best results. He also made announcement of the meeting in the fall at Dayton, Ohio, for Indiana-Ohio trustees and librarians, urging a representative attendance.

Luncheon was at the Y. W. C. A. with the afternoon session held in the living room of that building, and Mrs. Kiper of Boonville presiding. The afternoon session opened with a half-hour program of spirituals given by the Glee Club of the Lincoln high school.

Miss Mary Walker, Evansville reference librarian, gave a most interesting and entertaining talk on The business woman: yesterday and today. This was biographical, beginning with the first attempts of women to take part in business or public life and bringing it down to the practical and efficient woman of today.

Mrs. W. R. Davidson, board member of Evansville, who has a wide acquaintance with books, talked on Glimpses of the world

through books. In a very able manner she presented the latest books of travel and through them most interesting pictures of places and experiences.

An informal discussion of various library interests followed, in which, Mr. Bailey, Miss Warren, and Miss McCollough were specially helpful. An active interest was shown in the matter of old books. Mr. Bailey explained what really makes a book rare or valuable. Other things enter into this problem besides that of age; also suggestions were offered as to how best to get hold of useful, out of print books. Miss Warren told of what had been done at other district meetings.

At the close of the session a delightful tea was served by the members of the Evansville library staff. Much praise is due Miss McCollough and her staff for the excellent program and the generous hospitality extended to the librarians and trustees of the district.

Maude Kiper,
Secretary.

Centerville, May 13th

The district meeting held in the Christian church with eighty-three librarians and trustees in attendance was a delightful and helpful meeting.

Mrs. Minnie M. Wright, librarian of the Centerville library, presided, introducing Mrs. T. I. Ahl, president of the Centerville library board, who gave a very cordial word of greeting and welcome.

Mrs. Norma Corya, librarian, Brookville public library, gave a talk, Readers with a purpose—can we help, in which she stated that readers read for pleasure and that the taste for reading must be watered and cultivated. She also said that the purposeful reader will stay with the book he reads until he has found the author's inspiration.

Miss Pauline Lambert, assistant librarian, Muncie public library, gave a talk on Shelves: front, back, pay and dark, in which she urged all libraries large or small to have a standard arrangement. Libraries should

be arranged in as nearly the most logical and useful way as it is possible to arrange them. She said the tendency now is to relieve the librarians from as much mechanical work as possible in order that they may help in the suggestion of books and to do what is called floor work.

Miss Caroline Dunn, librarian, Connersville public library, gave a paper on Can we have a service measuring stick? What good is it? She said the only method of measuring the service of a library is by considering how nearly the library's service meets the needs of the community. The measuring of service is not a simple ordinary three-foot yardstick measurement of past accomplishments but a comparison of past accomplishment with what might be and should be accomplished in the future—a reaching out toward the ideal with the purpose of finding out and deciding upon what is practicable and possible to add to the library's program in order to more nearly reach the goal—complete satisfaction of the needs of the community.

Mr. Hadley, librarian of the Cincinnati library, made an announcement of the Ohio-Indiana state librarians' and trustees' association meetings to be held at Dayton, Ohio, and gave all a hearty invitation.

Roll Call was made a question box and some very good discussion followed.

After luncheon a representative of Demco Library Supplies explained and showed moving pictures of how the Detroit charging system works. A song by Mrs. Julian Dunbar, Mrs. R. S. Peele and Mrs. C. N. Cook was much enjoyed.

The first speaker of the afternoon session, Miss Mary Cain of Indianapolis, on Books for boys and girls of high school age, said that the librarian through direction, intuition and association should make books live and really mean something in the lives of boys and girls of this age. New books published recently that were mentioned included; *Pran of Albania*, by Miller; *Courageous companions*, by Finger; *Ward of the Redskins*, by Hargreaves; *The white house gang*, by Looker; *Famous girls of the White*

House, by Sweetser, and *Edna St. Vincent Millay's Poems* selected for young people.

Next on the program was a talk on School library progress by Miss Helen M. Clark of the State library and Mr. Bailey closed with a talk on what the library trustee should mean to the library and the librarian.

Mary F. Clifton,
Secretary.

Wabash, May 15th

The library district meeting held at Wabash, on May 15, was attended by seventy librarians, trustees and guests from sixteen towns.

Both morning and afternoon sessions were held in the public library. Miss Della Tilman, Wabash librarian, acted as chairman and extended a gracious welcome to all present.

Miss Marie Creager of North Manchester spoke on the subject *Shelves in a very interesting way* and many good points were brought out. Her main thought was shelves lined with good live material, attractive and tempting to the public. She stressed proper lighting and placing and fewer books rather than crowded shelves.

Miss Margaret Winning of Fort Wayne, talked on *Equalizing library opportunities*. She urged the development of the county library as an answer to library service for all and made very plain the outstanding need. She told of the advance along this line in Hawaii, Great Britain, Denmark, Sweden, and other foreign countries.

Miss Margaret Wade of Anderson, discussed a problem confronting all librarians, *Books: overdues, reserves and lost*. The talk and discussion following were helpful and interesting.

Louis J. Bailey, state librarian, presented *The State library and you*. Mr. Bailey wants the State library to be a real help to other libraries and told in a definite way of material at their disposal. He urged definite requests and an insight as to the type of person requesting material and above all—coöperation.

Miss Helene H. Rogers gave an illustrated talk on the Detroit charging system. All present were greatly interested in her exposition.

The meeting then adjourned for lunch which was served in the Presbyterian church.

The afternoon session was opened with roll call followed by an address on The viewpoint of a patron by Dr. J. F. Porter of Wabash. Dr. Porter's talk was delightful, given in a clever vein and at the same time very convincing and profitable.

Miss Lucille Snow of Elwood presented in a pleasing manner and a unique way the subject Can the public understand our catalog? All librarians were fully able to appreciate her thoroughly practical viewpoint.

The last number on the program was given in a very capable way by Miss Bertha Porter, librarian of Wabash high school. She strongly advocated cooperation between public and school libraries.

This brought to a close a most interesting district meeting and one to be most pleasantly remembered.

Bertha H. Gear,
Secretary.

Goshen, May 16th

A District meeting of librarians and trustees was held at Goshen, on May 16. About one hundred and fifty were in attendance and a great per cent of this number were trustees. The interior of the library presented a most attractive appearance. Under the artistic direction of Miss Elizabeth Rockwell, librarian, very lovely baskets of spring flowers were arranged and used in decoration.

The morning session was held in the auditorium of the library, Miss Rockwell, presiding. Mr. Kinnison, president of the library board, called the meeting to order and introduced John W. Foreman, superintendent of the Goshen public schools, who in a few words of welcome told of the cooperation of the library and the public schools.

Arthur L. Sprunger, a native of Berne,

Indiana, and supervisor of art in the Goshen schools and college, gave an interpretation of some of his works of art, which were exhibited. He told how through the eyes of an artist, beauty could be found in the commonplace and ordinary things of life. Louis J. Bailey of the State library staff gave a summary of the material in the State library and told of the departments that are being built up, music, genealogy, plays, pictures, etc. He urged librarians to be more explicit when ordering material, so that better service could be given. He also told of some of the plans for the new State library building. Can we have a service measuring stick? What good is it? was the topic given by Miss Ella Hodges, of the Mishawaka public library. She told how she had created a measuring stick, by measuring the needs of her community and the opportunities these needs created.

Some of the most important detail work in a library is taking care of books: overdue, reserve and lost. Miss Edna Bollinger and Miss Helen Spaack of the South Bend library told in a most comprehensive manner how this is taken care of in their library. Miss Helene Rogers, of the Demco Library Supplies, with the aid of moving pictures told of Charging books the Detroit way. This is a "serve yourself" method which is a time saver, and which Miss Rogers compared to our modern banking systems.

The secretary then called the roll. The responses were What shall I do about? being in question form so that the librarians might present any problem they wished to have discussed.

At 12:45 the meeting adjourned to the Masonic Temple where a luncheon and the afternoon session were held. The long tables were most attractively decorated with spring flowers and pink and white tapers. Miss Arlene Ulery, pianist, and Dallas Westfall, violinist, furnished music during the luncheon hour, and Mrs. Helen Blough and Gerald Moyer sang a group of selections accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Myron C. Dowe.

Mr. Bailey presided at the afternoon session. Miss Clara E. Rolfs, vice-president of I.L.A., urged all librarians and trustees to attend the bi-state meeting to be held at Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 15-17. Miss Rolfs gave a brief outline of the program and told of the various means of transportation in reaching Dayton.

Miss Inez Paul of South Bend told of the advantages of I.L.A. membership and made an appeal for all to join. Miss Ethel G. Baker of South Bend, on the membership committee of A.L.A., spoke of what this great organization stood for in library work and what an affiliation with it meant to individual librarians and trustees.

Gustav H. Enss, professor of philosophy of the Goshen college, was the next speaker. He said that while Europe has been philosophically minded for years, America is just becoming philosophically minded. He spoke of the thinkers and philosophers Germany had produced in the last century. He told of the present tendencies in philosophy in America, behaviorism, realism, and of how interesting it is to watch this development. He also gave great credit to some of our modern American philosophers and thinkers, their efforts being a stimulus to the country. He said also that we were producing here in this country books of philosophy of real value. He urged librarians to select books that would bring real education to the people and elevate them. He especially recommended Bruner, Theology of crisis, and related the effect this work had on rebuilding the German nation and inspiring them with a new hope and strength. It was a real privilege to hear Professor Enss.

Mr. Bailey paid a tribute to Miss Ella Corwin, who passed away last year. Miss Corwin gave much of her life as librarian of the Elkhart public library.

Aside from financial budgets librarians must budget their time and energy. Mrs. Ethel Krueger of the Lagrange library told how this was accomplished in her library by having everything systematized, and in this way energy is conserved.

The "teen age" is a problem in every library. This is being solved now by separate departments. Miss Lucile Guerber, who has charge of a new department of that kind in the South Bend library, told of the organization and work of this department and what may be accomplished. She also told of the Robert Louis Stevenson room in the Cleveland library. Miss Guerber's description of her work was most interesting and helpful.

Mrs. Alice Weeks of the Auburn library in her topic, Readers with a purpose, can we help? urged the study of the patrons rather than the books. Know your groups of people and their interests and it will be easy to guide them in their reading, Mrs. Weeks advised us.

Equalizing library opportunities, town and country, was the subject discussed by Miss Flora M. Case of Elkhart. She told of their township service with their car equipped for distributing books, and their house-to-house stops.

Mrs. C. DuBois, trustee of the Warsaw public library, told of the relationship of the trustee to the library and to the librarian. She said that a conscientious trustee is necessary to the success of a library. He must be broadminded and unbiased in his thinking. He is the mediator between the library and the public, and close co-operation is necessary. She urged trustees to give their very best in service to the library and the community.

Miriam Netter,
Secretary.

Paoli, May 20th

An interesting and enjoyable meeting was held May 20, at Paoli. Miss Mabel Hollowell, librarian and chairman, introduced A. W. Bruner, president of the local board. He extended a cordial welcome and in his address said, The library is great as an institution, but greater in the service it extends.

The second topic was Equalizing library opportunities—town and country. Miss

Bertha Ashby of Bloomington stressed the importance and need of county extension work. She told of the work in Monroe county and the appreciation and enthusiasm of the county patrons.

Miss Erma Cox, librarian of Martinsville, presenting as her subject, Can we have a service measuring stick, if so what is it, told how the library must measure its service by the extent of circulation and supplying the needs of all types of citizens.

Mrs. Rose Taggart of Orleans summed up her discussion on Books: overdue, reserves and lost, as a problem that each librarian must work out for herself.

A new charging system, based on self service, was explained by Miss Helene H. Rogers, a representative of the Demco Library Supplies.

The meeting then adjourned for lunch which was served in the basement of the library.

Miss Ella Davidson, school librarian of Bloomington, traced the history and progress of school libraries in the United States. She gave some of her own experiences in the work.

Miss Carrie E. Scott, trustee at Mooresville, presented several plans for summer reading and gave the advantages and disadvantages of each. She brought book lists, sample tickets for travel tours and letters that were used to make summer reading attractive to children.

Raymond Stout of Paoli, closed the meeting with a paper on What does the library trustee mean to the library and to the librarian? He said that the trustee must be one who will cooperate with the librarian in making the library attractive and giving to the public value received.

Minta Stone,
Secretary.

Madison, May 22nd

The Madison district meeting was held in the Madison-Jefferson County public library, on Thursday, May 22, with about forty librarians, trustees and visitors in attendance.

The morning session was called to order at ten o'clock by Mrs. A. G. Childs, secretary of the Madison library board, who presided. Walter Caplinger, president of the board, in a gracious address of welcome, spoke of the particular pleasure the librarian and board felt in entertaining their colleagues in their new building. The handsome, well arranged and well organized new library was indeed one of the most interesting features of the whole day's program.

Miss Bess Lanham, librarian of the Vevay public library, ably discussed the ever-present question, Can the public understand our catalog? The catalog is the key to the wealth of information the library contains. It is a wonderful thing, in that it attempts to describe and interpret all kinds of books to all kinds of people. But the catalog itself often needs an interpreter, and that, of course, is the librarian, who should make it simple and clear, and be ready to instruct patrons in its use, particularly through cooperation with the schools. Miss Lanham stressed the importance of tact in offering help and of the encouragement of readers to become self-reliant.

Miss Pearl McConnell, librarian at North Vernon, gave an excellent talk on Publicity inside and outside the library. Publicity not only lets the public know what the library contains and what it does, thereby building up circulation, but is also an important factor in improving the reading habits of the community. Therefore the librarian should give it a definite place in the library program and budget and should become familiar with the psychology of advertising. Miss McConnell mentioned many possible means of publicity, including the appearance of the library itself; announcements in stations, street-cars, and so on; posters and bulletin boards; book displays; articles in the local papers; programs and story hours; book lists; visits to schools, clubs and similar organizations, displays in connection with community activities, and special projects, such as programs of book reviews. Many interesting and attractive pictures, posters and samples of publicity

material illustrated Miss McConnell's talk.

Miss Hazel B. Warren, chief of the Extension division, spoke on the topic, The State library and you. After reporting the progress of the new State library building plans, she explained that the function of the State library in relation to the libraries of the state, is to supply the material which is used so seldom that the average library cannot afford to devote space or money to it. This includes such material as extensive files of government documents, genealogical books, debate material, and so on. The library is giving particular attention to building up its collection of music, plays, pictures, club programs, and Indiana material.

The afternoon session, presided over by Miss Nellie G. Harper, Madison librarian, began with roll call, the topic for response being My problem. A number of interesting points were raised and helpful suggestions advanced.

Miss Helen M. Clark, school library adviser of the State library, spoke on School library progress, discussing the new manual and reporting the progress made toward higher standards and greater recognition for high school librarians. She also explained the courses offered to school librarians this summer in the various schools of the state.

Miss Gladys Walker, librarian of the Columbus-Bartholomew county library, gave an excellent talk on Equalizing library op-

portunities, town and country. Our democracy needs intelligent, educated citizens, and the library is the one institution which offers to all ages, classes and groups a chance to reach this goal. A county library, with an adequate collection of books, periodicals, maps, pictures, and other material, available by mail or car or through local stations, confers equal opportunities for recreation and instruction upon town and country patrons. County library work affords much real joy to the workers through the constant opening of new opportunity for service and contact.

Miss Jewell Mount, acting librarian at Scottsburg, presented Some recent books I have enjoyed, in an interesting and pleasing manner. Thornton Wilder's *Woman of Andros*, Paul Haworth's *Caverns of sunset*, John C. Mellett's *Ink*, Harold Lamb's *Crusades: iron men and saints*, and Magoffin and Davis's *Magic spades* were among the books reviewed.

Mrs. Herbert B. Fitton, president of the Mount Vernon, Indiana, library board, was a visitor and extended a greeting from southwestern Indiana.

A delicious luncheon was served at noon at the Presbyterion church. An especially pleasant feature was a delightful musical program by Miss Kathryn Childs, soprano, and Miss Dorothy Eckert, pianist.

Mary Louise Fitton,
Secretary.

BOOK NOTES AND CURRENT ITEMS

Of the recent books by Indiana authors probably the most readable and interesting is Harvey W. Wiley: an autobiography. Mr. Wiley, who was born near the village of Kent, Jefferson county, Indiana, October 18, 1844, gives a description of life in southern Indiana when the State was still in the pioneer stage of its development. At the age of sixteen, as a member of the Indiana guards, the author took part in the civil war. At the same time he continued

his education at Hanover College. In 1868 he began teaching the classics at Northwestern Christian University (now Butler University), meanwhile studying medicine at the Indiana Medical College. Later he taught chemistry at Purdue University where he remained for nine years. The last half of the volume is devoted to the author's career as chief chemist in the United States Department of Agriculture, his struggle for the passage of the

Pure Food and Drugs Act, and the enforcement of that law. The Bobbs-Merrill Co., Indianapolis, 1930. \$5.00.

Another new book just off the press is Mrs. Grundy by Leo Markum of Indianapolis. The sub-title "A history of four centuries of morals intended to illuminate present problems in Great Britain and the United States" explains the purpose of the book. It traces morals and moral standards in England from the middle ages to the present and in the United States from earliest colonial times. More than one hundred illustrations, both curious and attractive, add to the value of the book. D. Appleton and Co., New York, 1930. \$5.00.

Another volume dealing with the life of Lincoln is A. Lincoln by Ross F. Lockridge. The book is intended for children making their first acquaintance with Lincoln and for older readers who wish a brief and simple account. The author has attempted to emphasize the human elements that made Lincoln what he was rather than the historical side of his life. Both footnotes and bibliography are omitted. The World Book Co., New York, 1930.

Floy Ruth Painter, associate professor of social science at Ball State Teachers College, is the author of a thesis with the title, That man Debs. The work covers the whole life of Debs and his relation to the socialist party. Indiana University, Bloomington, 1929.

Within the past few months four novels by Indiana authors have appeared. McCready Huston, author of The king of Spain's daughter, is a South Bend newspaper man, and has two other novels, Huling's quest, and Dear senator, to his credit. His latest book is the story of Shields Rayburn, a prosperous business man, who, dissatisfied with his work, his home life, and his comfortable surroundings, wishes to make iron in the hills of Pennsylvania as his ancestors had done. The story runs smoothly and holds the reader's interest. The Bobbs-Merrill Co., Indianapolis, 1930. \$2.00.

Ink, by John C. Mellett of Indianapolis,

is also a third novel. It is a somewhat improbable tale of Arthur Morton, a young newspaper man, who on his arrival at Columbia is given a newspaper, and meets bootleggers, business men and the wealthy social set of the town with incredible rapidity. In his paper he annoys one after another of these groups. The story seems to hinge on the question of whether the street railway company shall make its own power or buy its power from the People's Power Company. The power company wins in the end. The Bobbs-Merrill Co., Indianapolis, 1930. \$2.00.

Paul Leland Haworth, professor of history at Butler University, and author of several books on the history of the United States has written a volume of fiction concerning the Canadian Northwest at the close of the eighteenth century. The title is Caverns of sunset. The heroine, Patricia Percy, an English girl disguised as a boy, goes to the Hudson's Bay region in search of her brother. Professor Haworth, who has explored this Canadian region himself, says that much of it is still a wilderness. The Bobbs-Merrill Co., Indianapolis, 1930. \$2.00.

A juvenile book with an historical background is The Adventures of Johnny Appleseed by Henry Chapin. It is based on the legend of the man who planted apple seeds in the middle west before the arrival of the pioneers. The illustrations are by James Daugherty. Coward-McMann, Inc., New York, 1930. \$2.50.

A. K. Mehl of Fort Wayne is the author of Symphonies of the solitudes. This is a small volume describing the author's travels in the Canadian Rockies and along the Pacific Coast to California. Published by the author, Fort Wayne, 1930.

A pamphlet on government that will be useful to students and club women is the Indiana voters' handbook. It contains chapters on elections, party organization, the government of Indiana, and the national government. Indiana League of Women Voters, 719 Illinois Bldg., Indianapolis, 1930. \$35.

In a few months the question of revision of the state constitution will again be the subject of discussion for civics classes, debating leagues and women's clubs. The *Indiana Law Journal* for February, 1930, contains the following articles on this question: Revision of the Indiana constitution by Hugh E. Willis; Indiana should call a constitutional convention by Albert Stump; and In re: proposed constitutional convention by James W. Noel. Single copies of this periodical can be purchased from the Indiana University School of Law, Bloomington, Indiana, for 50 cents. A brief pamphlet opposing revision is *Constitution of Indiana* by H. H. Evans, a state representative. These pamphlets can be secured from Mr. Evans, Newcastle, Ind. A leaflet containing A. L. Pittinger's speech, *Revising the constitution*, reprinted from the *Indiana History Bulletin*, April, 1930, is available free of charge at the office of the Indiana Historical Bureau, 334 State House, Indianapolis.

Mann, Margaret. *Introduction to cataloging and the classification of books*. A.L.A. \$3.00. A technical subject, treated in a live and interesting manner. She has brought the personal element into cataloging, and discusses cataloging and the catalog in terms of its use to the staff and to the public. The dictionary catalog, classified catalog, author, title, subject, and form entries, subject headings, Library of Congress cards, and their use, arrangements of cards, department routine, quarters, equipment, supplies, organization and administration of the department are all discussed. Much information on practical methods makes this an indispensable book for all interested in the catalog or cataloging.

Sears, Minnie Earl, comp. *Standard catalog for public libraries*. History and travel section. 1929. Wilson. \$3.00. A very good reference tool for all libraries. Lists 1,900 titles, annotated, and has an analytical index. About 450 titles are starred for small libraries.

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son. \$90. This supplement contains 541 books, of which 172 are new. All libraries should have the children's catalog and supplements. All supplements are accumulated.

Chamberlain, Mary C. *Library work with the blind*. A.L.A. This new manual of library economy traces the history of this new branch of library work. It traces the history of the movement and discusses methods of reaching and interesting blind readers. A bibliography and a list of publications for the blind is also included.

Rathbone, Josephine Adams. *Shelf department*. A.L.A. Headings as inventory, shelf list, book supports, book labels, placing books on shelves, shelf labels, revision of shelves, cleaning and supplies are all summarized, and a good bibliography is included.

Hirshberg, Herbert S. *Elements of the library plan*. A.L.A. This manual is based on an earlier one by W. R. Eastman, on the library building. A good bibliography refers to illustrations and other articles on planning of libraries. Good information is given on important items concerning buildings, such as site, cost, architect, materials, book capacity, lighting, and all other fundamental topics.

The preliminary pages and the index for Volume VIII of the *Indiana Historical Society Publications* have been prepared and can be obtained from the Secretary, 334 State House, or from the Bobbs-Merrill Company, 724 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, for fifty cents. Bound copies (cloth) of Volume VIII are on sale by the Bobbs-Merrill Company for \$4.00.

The Indianapolis public library has prepared a four page subject list of separate circulating pictures which are loaned for school, club, and study use. This list of subjects should be helpful to anyone arranging a file of mounted or unmounted pictures and a copy will be sent free to any library.

Fargo, Lucile. *The library in the school*. A.L.A. \$3.00. This book has been written primarily as a textbook for school library administration for library schools. Miss Fargo's previous experience with making

the school library meet the ideals of educators has given her a remarkable ability for seeing the educator's side as well as the librarian's. She presents various solutions to the many problems discussed rather than advocating single correct methods. For school superintendents and principals this book will answer many questions about plans for the library rooms and equipment, value of the library to the school curriculum and value of a trained librarian to direct it. For school librarians it discusses technical subjects in simple terms and gives most useful suggestions. For teachers it brings valuable ideas about the use of the library to their classes.

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May 1930

- *Banking, Dept. of. "Banking Laws of Indiana" 1929.
- Blind, School for the. Report 1929.
- Charities, Board of. Bul. No. 180, Mar. 1930.
- Charities, Board of. Bul. No. 181, Apr. 1930.
- Conservation, Dept. of. Pub. No. 92, "Foundry Sands of Indiana".
- Election Laws of Indiana, 1930.
- *Health, Board of. Bul. V. 33, No. 2, Feb. 1930.
- *Health, Board of. Bul. V. 33, No. 3, Mar. 1930.
- House Journal 1929.
- Industrial Board. Report 1929.
- Year Book 1929.

June 1930

- *Banking Dept. Compilation of Reports of Building & Loan Associations.
- *Conservation, Dept. of. Pub. 87 (Forestry Circular No. 6). "Instructions for Planting Tree Seeds".
- *Deaf, School for. 85th Report (1928).
- *Deaf, School for. 86th Report (1929).
- *Health, Board of. Bul. V. 33, No. 4, April 1930.
- *Public Instruction, Dept. of. Bul. No. 108, "Educative Equipment for Modern Schools".
- *State Fair. Classification for the Agricultural Dept. 1930.
- *State Fair. Vocational Dept. Classification for Indiana Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club Work. 1930.
- *Tax Commissioners, Bd. of. Bul. V. 1, No. 1, Apr. 1, 1930.
- *Tax Commissioners, Bd. of. Bul. V. 1, No. 2, May 1, 1930.
- Tax Commissioners, Bd. of. Proceedings Jan. 7-8, 1930.
- Vegetable Growers Association. Program Review, 1930 meeting.

*Not given to the Library for distribution.

THOMPSON GIFT TO THE INDIANAPOLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

A perpetual endowment of \$25,000 and an immediate gift of \$2,500 for a collection of the best books relating to the fine art of home making was made to the Indianapolis public library, March 25th, by Mr. Charles Nebeker Thompson, as a memorial to his wife, Mrs. Julia Conner Thompson. Mr. Thompson is a member of the public library advisory committee and of the board of trustees of the Indiana library and historical department, of which he has been president this last year.

Mr. Thompson explained in a letter to the board that he had delivered at the library a number of books as a nucleus of the memorial collection. Books on architecture and landscaping also could advisably be included in the collection, he said.

"The home in these days is too often of minor consideration," Mr. Thompson said. "It does not have the meaning to the present generation that it had to preceding generations. This condition is regrettable. Anything that will inspire increased interest and affection for this, a fundamental part of our American institutions, is desirable.

"I think the home should possess such artistic qualities as will have appealing beauty. Its attractiveness measures, to some extent, its influence. It should not be ugly. To be beautiful it need not be expensive, but beauty of line and harmony of color can be achieved only by study and understanding. It is the purpose of this collection to provide means of study for all who wish to make their homes centers of beauty, giving them both present enjoyment and memory pictures that will abide.

"The sensitive mind of the child quickly appreciates and appropriates beauty and the effect produced in youth in shaping the child's ideals is enduring. Gracefulness of design and harmonious coloring can not fail to deepen the child's affection for his home in which these qualities are present. Then, too, the mind of a child, influenced by beau-

tiful surroundings, will be the more receptive to those spiritual and cultural values which, for the forming of character, should be present in every home."

The principal of the testamentary provision shall not be expended, but shall be carefully invested in income-paying securities, the income from which shall, as nearly as practicable, annually, or sooner, be likewise expended in the purchase of additions to the memorial collection. The material in the collection shall constitute a reference library, no part of which shall be taken out except with personal approval of the librarian and then only to meet an exceptional need for research, investigation, instruction or exhibition. The space in the library housing the collection shall be set apart and bear an inscription, "The Julia Conner Thompson Memorial Collection of the *Finer Arts of Home-Making*, established by her husband, Charles Nebeker Thompson."

Mr. Thompson pointed out that, except for his binding promise to make the testamentary gift, he reserved the right and power by mutual agreement of the board and himself to modify the details of the trust.

"I propose to pay to you \$2,500, the principal of which I wish expended as speedily as Mr. L. L. Dickerson, your librarian, and the library advisory committee think wise in an initial purchase for this memorial collection.

Offers \$25,000 Endowment

"In my last will and testament I will bequeath a sum not under \$25,000 as a perpetual endowment for this memorial collection. Each book shall have in it a bookplate reading as follows: 'Julia Conner Thompson Memorial, the *Finer Arts of Home Making*, Indianapolis Public Library.' This bookplate is being designed by Frederick Polley."

Mrs. Thompson died Dec. 26, 1928. A descendant of a prominent Indiana pioneer family, Mrs. Thompson was born in Noblesville, 1867, the daughter of John C. and

Alice Finch Conner. She was a great granddaughter of John Conner, founder of Connersville and aid and interpreter for Gen. William Henry Harrison in the Indian uprisings before the war of 1812. In her mother's family she was a direct descendant of Heneage Finch, first Earl of Nottingham.

She was an active clubwoman, being one of the early presidents of the Fortnightly Literary Club, a member of the Society of Indiana Pioneers, the Colonial Dames, and she was a former vice regent of the Cornelia Cole Fairbanks chapter of the D. A. R. On Oct. 7, 1891, she was married to Charles N. Thompson.

She attended Oxford college at Oxford, O., and studied art in New York city under William Chase. Her interest in art extended through her entire life. Among her accomplishments was the designing of the badge of the Society of Indiana Pioneers. When the stained glass window of the First Presbyterian church, a memorial to Gen. Harrison, was put in, some members of the congregation felt that the other stained glass windows were a little harsh in coloring compared to the beautiful colors of the Tiffany glass. So by her own ideas and work, Mrs. Thompson toned down the colors so that they would harmonize with those of the memorial window.

This gift is most excellent in itself and forms a noble example to others. It is not only a memorial but a lasting influence and help to those who follow after.

ANNUAL MEETING LIBRARY AND HISTORICAL BOARD

Mrs. Frank J. Sheehan of Gary was elected president of the Indiana library and historical board at a reorganization meeting, May 20. She succeeds Charles N. Thompson of Indianapolis, who was elected vice-president. William M. Taylor of Indianapolis was elected secretary. The board voted to continue its archeological work this summer under direction of Prof. F. M. Setzler of the University of Chicago. He conducted investigations into the mounds

of Randolph, Wayne and other counties of the state last summer.

Publication of the third volume of Constitution making in Indiana by Dr. Charles Kettleborough, director of the legislative reference bureau; also was authorized. The volume will concern the period from 1916 to the present time.

ILL. STUDENT LOAN FUND

The I.L.A. Loan Fund committee met at Indianapolis, June 5, and organized by electing Rachel Ogle of Franklin college library chairman and L. J. Bailey of the State library secretary. There is now about \$700 in the hands of the committee and applications will be received at any time. The details of examining candidates' records and the by-laws of the committee were put over to a future meeting.

A tentative statement of policy to be followed in selecting grantees was adopted which will in general indicate the requirements that candidates must fulfill. The committee would be glad to have comments on the policy so far adopted. Following is the tentative statement of policy:

The object of this fund shall be to give financial assistance for professional training to such Indiana Library Association members as may have given sufficient evidence of possessing exceptional talent for library work, thus providing the means for developing professional leadership.

Money may be loaned only to members of the Indiana Library Association who have had at least twelve months library experience in the State of Indiana.

An applicant to whom a loan may be granted may borrow an amount not to exceed \$500.

Interest on loans is to be paid at the rate of 6 per cent.

Any member of the Indiana Library Association borrowing funds shall sign the following agreement: I agree to pay to the Indiana Library Association Loan Fund as soon as possible the sum of (amount of entire loan) with interest at

the rate of six per cent, such interest beginning one year from date of payment of first installment.

Terms of payment shall be agreed upon for each application.

Applications shall be made in writing ninety days before the first installment is needed or within such a time as may be necessary to properly investigate the qualifications of the applicant.

Loans should be made only to persons who actually need the money. Applicants should be qualified by ability, education and experience to make a reasonably worth while contribution to library work.

A personal interview with the applicant by one or more members of the committee shall be required in every case.

Each applicant must provide protection to the Association, either with an insurance policy naming the Association as beneficiary for the amount of indebtedness outstanding, or with other acceptable collateral.

Rachel Ogle, Chairman,
Franklin College Library, Franklin.

Louis J. Bailey, Secretary,
Indiana State Library, Indianapolis.

Ethel F. McCollough,
Public Library, Evansville.

Eva R. Peck,
Public Library, Ft. Wayne.

Marian A. Webb,
Public Library, Ft. Wayne.

Frank H. Whitmore,
Public Library, East Chicago.

OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL GROUP OF CATALOGERS

The Ohio Valley Regional Group of Catalogers had a luncheon meeting at the Propylaeum, Indianapolis, April 12, 1930. Fifty-seven librarians attended, of whom fifty were members of the group. Following the luncheon, Miss Virginia Hollingsworth, head of the catalog department at Dayton, Ohio, and president of the group, opened the meeting. The secretary-treasurer's report was read and accepted. The nominating committee, Miss Edna Wells, Miss Miriam

Earls, and Miss Eva Edgerton, chairman, nominated Mrs. Verna Pate, Indianapolis public library, president and Miss Jane Errett, Dayton public library, secretary-treasurer. Miss Laura Smith moved that a unanimous vote be cast for the officers and Miss Wallace seconded it.

The program followed. Miss Helen Guhman of Cincinnati talked on Catalog helps and tools in which she mentioned bibliographic aids to use in cataloging modern publications from United States and foreign countries. Miss Ruth Wallace, Indianapolis public library, talked on Cataloging costs and ways they may be reduced, suggesting that we give as much work as possible to typists and pages and mentioned the L. C. Smith channel platen and the electric eraser. Miss Jane Errett of Dayton public library told her Recollections of the Washington conference. The group then divided into two parts. Miss Ruth Line, Indianapolis public library, led the discussion with the catalogers from large public libraries and Miss Edna Wells, Indiana university library, was the leader of the group from college and university libraries.

Mrs. Pate collected dues for the catalog section of A.L.A., and Miss Errett the year's membership for this group. The local committee were Miss Ruth Wallace, chairman, Mrs. Verna Pate and Miss Helen M. Clark.

Miss Hollingsworth invited the group to Dayton for next year's meeting.

In treasury April 1, 1929	\$17.35
Conference expenses	11.66

Balance	\$ 5.69
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Helen M. Clark,
Secretary-Treasurer.

CLUB STUDY

For the coming year the Indiana Federation of Clubs is stressing the study of probation, school attendance, mental hygiene, and child labor. Useful reading lists and suggestions for first purchase may be

secured on some of these topics from the following organizations:

- National Committee for Mental Hygiene,
370 Seventh Ave., New York City.
- National Child Labor Committee,
215 Fourth Ave., New York City.
- National Probation Association,
370 Seventh Ave., New York City.
- U. S. Children's Bureau,
Washington, D. C.

DEBATE QUESTIONS

The Indiana State Debating League (High School) has chosen the following topic for next year: Resolved: that the present system of installment buying of consumption goods should be condemned. The following qualifications are understood:

1. Seligman's definition of installment buying shall be accepted.
2. Consumption goods shall be considered as all those which depreciate excepting the following: insurance policies, real estate, houses, stocks, bonds, mortgages, notes, etc.

The Indiana State High School Discussion League under the auspices of the Extension division of Indiana university will base discussions upon the subject of chain stores.

The Indiana Intercollegiate Debating League will discuss: Resolved: Upon the declaration of war with another nation our government should use only conscripted wealth for all expenditures involved in the war.

The girls' division of the Intercollegiate League has chosen the question, Resolved: that all social fraternities in colleges and universities in America should be abolished.

SCHOOL LIBRARIANS' MEETING

The School Librarians' Section of the State Teachers' Association will meet in Indianapolis, Thursday, October 16. Following the luncheon E. H. Kemper McComb, principal of Emmerich Manual Training High School, will discuss What the prin-

cipal expects the library to mean to the school. Miss Helen Harris, assistant professor of library science at the University of Tennessee, will present the librarian's side by, What the school librarian expects the library to mean to the school. There will also be time for round table discussion and friendly conversation.

TRUSTEES! ON TO DAYTON

The joint meeting of the I.L.T.A., at Dayton, October 15-17th, with the Ohio and Indiana library associations should be an outstanding occasion. Wednesday will be Trustees' Day with a good program in the afternoon and dinner in the evening, followed by a special program and reception arranged by our Ohio friends. Ohio has no organization of trustees but might be interested to start one if they find Indiana trustees alive and enthusiastic. A good trustees' meeting is an encouraging experience. Questions are asked and answered, problems discussed and a new outlook is gained on the duties and opportunities of what may too often seem the routine honor of being a library trustee. Trustees have not only the duty of protecting the public but the opportunity of interpreting the library to the community and making it a real instrument of helpfulness and advancement to any city or town.

Our annual meeting will be a gathering of as fine a group of public spirited citizens as ever get together. Every public library should have one or more delegates at Dayton, October 15th. Indiana trustees! Remember Dayton!

Sheridan Clyde,
President.

LIBRARY MEMORIAL GIVEN BY D. A. R. CHAPTER

In memory of Miss Eliza Gordon Browning, founder of the General Arthur St. Clair chapter of the D.A.R., and member of its library staff, members of the chapter gave a large exhibit case to the Indianapolis public library on the third anniversary of

her death, May 18, 1930. Luther L. Dickerson, librarian, received the gift on behalf of the library. Mrs. Paul E. Fisher, chapter regent, presided and Mrs. Frederic Krull, former regent and charter member, gave an appreciation of Miss Browning's services both to her chapter and to the entire community.

This memorial gift to the library is the second to perpetuate the memory of Miss Browning who was for twenty-five years the librarian of the Indianapolis public library and for ten years the assistant librarian.

Few women in the history of Indianapolis have been more widely known. The entire city paid tribute to her memory. The memorial book fund which friends and associates of Miss Browning have created as a living growing memory of her services to the community has passed the \$1000 mark. Each year the income will be used for the purchase of necessary books which will bear the memorial bookplate designed by Blanche Stillson.

The display case bears a bronze plate with the inscription, In memory of Eliza Gordon Browning, General Arthur St. Clair Chapter, D.A.R. For the memorial services it was placed in the reference room with a display of a picture of Miss Browning, books purchased through the memorial book fund, some of her letters and papers, and her first and last annual reports, and the memorial book plate.

NEW HARMONY PICTURES

To the Library Occurrent:

Last fall, being reminded that we were more and more often being called upon for historical matter for schools, clubs, writers, etc., I conceived the idea of gathering together, in shippable form thirty large photographic pictures of some prominent people, houses, and scenery about New Harmony, for lending purposes. These were taken to the express office and weighed. Here I found we could say, when answering letters of inquiry, that we could furnish these pictures, by express, for about forty cents,

each way, to any part of Indiana. Since then they have been sent to several club women for illustrating their papers on New Harmony, and we have received from them very favorable comment. They have not been advertised at all, so very few people know about it. Thinking you might wish to be able to inform inquirers, I am sending you this information.

Mrs. Nora C. Fretageot, Librarian,
Workingmen's Institute, New Harmony.

NOTICE

A small number of copies of *Poems* by Louise Vickroy Boyd, Richmond, 1911, are being distributed to Indiana libraries by Miss Esther Griffin White, Richmond, Indiana. Mrs. Boyd lived for many years in Dublin, Indiana; and died in Cambridge City in 1909. Her poem "The Tulip Tree" has become quite well known to Indiana persons since the blossom of that tree was adopted as the state flower. A copy of her poems will be sent to any Indiana library

by Miss White upon receipt of eight cents postage.

Warning Against

A. L. Speas, 670 W. Lexington Avenue, Elkhart, insurance salesman, 48 years old, 5ft. 9½ in. height, 184 lbs., medium stout, American, hair brown turning gray, eyes blue. Represents himself to be an agent of Commonwealth Casualty Company of Philadelphia, Pa. Selling sick and accident insurance to school teachers and librarians. Make appointment for his return and notify authorities to be there. This man is harmless and you need have no fear of turning him over to authorities as several counties in Indiana hold warrant for his arrest. Drives 1929 Oldsmobile, gray coach. Reward will be paid for his arrest and recovery of car.

Notify—Homer L. Mitchell, Clinton, Ind., or Sheriff of Vermillion County, Newport, Ind.

From The *Indiana Teacher*.

THE TECHNIQUE OF ART

Books in the Indiana State Library, June, 1930.

Compiled by NELLIE M. COATS

Anatomy for Artists

- Cole, R. V. Artistic anatomy of trees; their structure and treatment in painting Seeley 1925
Dunlop, J. M. Anatomical diagrams Macmillan 1927
Fenney, H. H. & Co. Practical poses of the hands Fenney, n. d.
Fripp, A. C. & Thompson, Ralph. Human anatomy for art students Seeley 1923
Linton, W. E. Drawing and construction of animals Chapman & Hall 1926
Lutz, E. G. Practical art anatomy Scribner 1920
Noble, Edwin. Animal drawing and anatomy Batsford 1928
Vanderpoel, J. H. Human figure Inland printer Co. 1921

Color

- Bivren, Faber. Color in vision Ritter 1928
Cutler, C. G. & Pepper, S. C. Modern color Harvard 1923
Jacobs, Michel. Art of colour Doubleday 1924
Jorgensen, C. J. The mastery of color 2v. Hennecke 1906
Martin, L. C. Colour and methods of colour reproduction Blackie 1926
Martini, H. E. Color Bridgman 1928
Miskella, W. J. Practical color simplified Finishing Research Laboratories 1928
Sargent, Walter. Enjoyment and use of color Scribner 1924
Ward, James. Colour harmony and contrast 3d ed Chapman & Hall n. d.

Caricature and Cartoon

- Ashbee, C. H. Caricature Scribner 1928
 Briggs, C. A. How to draw cartoons Harper 1926
 Lederer, Charles. Cartooning made easy Judy 1923
 Lutz, E. G. Practical graphic figures; the technical side of drawing for cartoons and fashions Scribner 1925
 Rosenberg, Manuel. Manuel Rosenberg course in cartooning The author 1927

Design

- Batchelder, E. A. Design in theory and practice Macmillan 1917
 Cartlidge, S. J. Original design Dutton 1923
 Chase, J. C. Decorative design; a textbook of practical methods Wiley 1915
 Clegg, Samuel. Drawing and design, a school course in composition Pitman n.d.
 Howard, C. H. Design Bridgman 1926
 International textbook Co. Design motifs, design composition, space filling, color in design, historic styles Scranton 1916
 ——— Stencil and block print designing, leather and metal work designing, china decoration, designing, tile and parquetry designing, etc. Scranton 1916
 Jackson, F. G. Lessons on decorative design Chapman n.d.
 ——— Theory and practice of design; an advance textbook on decorative art Chapman n.d.
 Lilley, A.E.V. and Midgley, W. Book of studies in plant form Chapman 1910
 Meyer, F. S. Handbook of ornament with 300 plates containing about 3000 illustrations of the elements and the application of decoration to objects 3d Amer. ed Architectural Book Co. n.d.
 Morris, William. Some hints on pattern designing Longmans 1899
 Raffé, W. G. Graphic design Bridgman 1928
 Smith, F. R. Design as applied to arts and crafts Pitman 1929
 Speltz, A. Coloured ornament of all historical styles Baumgärtner 1915 pt. 1
 Antiquity pt. 2 Middle ages pt. 3 Modern times
 Sprague, E. & Sprague, C. How to design greeting cards Pelham 1926
 Strong, C. J. and Strong, L. S. Strong's book of designs Drake 1917 (Commercial designs)
 Wadsworth, J. W. Designing from plant forms Chapman 1910
 Ward, James. Progressive design for students 2d ed Chapman 1912
 Welo, Samuel. Studio handbook, letter and design to fill all the needs in the field of commercial art Drake 1927
 Weyhe. Ornament in applied art. 122 color plates reproducing over 2000 decorative motives from the arts of Asia, primitive Europe, North, Central and South America, and Europe Wasmuth Berlin n.d.
 White, Gleeson, Ed. Practical designing; a handbook on the preparation of working drawings Bell 1910
 Wilkins, J. G. Research; design in nature; Field Museum . . . The author 1926
Drawing and Composition
 Blake, Vernon. Art and craft of drawing Oxford 1927
 Brown, J. H. Sketching without a master Jack n.d.
 Calder, Alexander. Animal sketching Bridgman 1926
 Doust, L. A. How to sketch from life Bridgman 1929
 Dow, A. W. Composition Doubleday 1916
 Ellwood, G. M. Art of pen drawing Scribner 1927
 Furniss, Dorothy. Drawing for beginners Harrap 1927
 Glass, F. J. Sketching from nature Batsford 1926
 Guptill, A. L. Drawing with pen and ink Pencil points 1928
 ——— Sketching and rendering in pencil Pencil points 1922
 Hatton, R. G. Figure drawing Chapman 1924
 Holme, Charles. Sketching grounds Studio 1909

International textbook Co. Line drawing, model drawing, light and shade, the human figure, the figure in repose, the figure in motion, animal drawing Scranton 1915

— Pencil, charcoal and crayon; pen and ink, wash and gouache; water color; oil color and pastel, parallel perspective, angular perspective, pictorial perspective, pictorial composition Scranton 1916

Johnson, Borough. Technique of pencil drawing Pitman 1927

Lemos, P. J. Applied art, drawing, painting, design and handicraft Pacific press 1920

Lutz, E. G. Practical drawing 1928 Scribner 1915

Maginnis, C. D. Pen drawing Bates 1924 c.1921

Norton, D. M. Free-hand perspective and sketching The author 1925 c.1908

Oehler, Bernice. Figure sketching Bridgman 1926

Pearce, Cyril. Composition; an analysis of the principles of pictorial design Batsford 1927

Renggli, Edward. How to draw the head in light and shade Pelham 1927

Rines, F. M. Drawing in lead pencil Bridgman 1929

Salway, Jasper. Sketching in lead pencil for architects and others Scribner 1926

Seaby, A. W. Drawing for art students and illustrators Scribner 1921

Speed, Harold. Practice and science of drawing Seeley n.d.

Illustration

Matthews, E. C. Modern illustration; a practical art course Drake 1929

Sullivan, E. J. Art of illustration Scribner n.d.

Whiting, J. D. Practical illustration Harper 1920

Painting

Barnes, A. C. Art in painting Barnes 1925

Brown, J. H. Elementary water-color painting Black 1922

Carlson, J. F. Elementary principles of landscape painting Nat. Pub. Soc. 1928

Delamotte, F. G. Amateur artist; or oil and water color painting without the aid of a teacher Drake 1906

East, Sir Alfred. Art of landscape painting in oil colour Cassell 1911

Furst, Herbert. Art of still life painting Scribner 1927

Harrison, Birge. Landscape painting Scribner 1913

Holmes, C. J. Notes on the science of picture making Chatto 1927

Laurie, A. P. Painter's methods and materials Seeley 1926

Moreau-Vauthier, C. Technique of painting Putnam 1923

Rich, A. W. Water color painting London 1921

Richmond, L. and Littlejohns, John. Technique of water colour painting Pitman 1926

Solomon, S. J. Practice of oil painting and of drawing as associated with it Seeley 1924

Speed, Harold. Science and practice of oil painting Chapman & Hall 1924

Steuart, James. Sketching in water colours; a book for amateurs by an amateur Jack 1922

Stokes, Adrian. Landscape painting Seeley 1925

Pastel

Rankin, H. A. Pastel work; or colour with crayon 2v. Pitman n.d.

Richmond, L. and Littlejohns, J. Art of painting in pastel Pitman 1927

Perspective

Cole, R. V. Perspective, the practice and theory of perspective as it applies to pictures with a section on its application to architecture Lippincott n.d.

Lubschez, B. J. Perspective; an elementary textbook Van Nostrand 1926

Ruskin, John. Elements of perspective Wiley 1876

Print Making

- Adams, J. D. Metal work and etching Popular mechanics Co. 1911
- Barry, J. J. How to make etchings Bridgman 1929
- Dobson, Margaret. Block-cutting and print-making by hand from wood, linoleum, and other media Pitman n.d.
- Fletcher, F. M. Wood block printing; a description of the craft of wood-cutting and colour printing based on the Japanese practice Hogg 1926
- Flight, Claude. Lino-cuts; a handbook on linoleum cut colour printing Dodd 1928

- Kirkbride, J. Engraving for illustration Scott 1903
- Lumsden, E. S. Art of etching Seeley 1925
- Phillips, W. J. Technique of the color wood-cut Brown-Robertson 1926
- Polk, R. W. Essentials of linoleum-block printing Manual arts press 1927
- Sprague, Curtiss. How to make linoleum blocks 2d ed Bridgman 1928

Sculpture

- Glass, F. J. Modelling and sculpture Scribner 1929
- Haslouck, P. N. Clay modelling and plaster casting Cassell 1905-1920

NEWS OF INDIANA LIBRARIES

Anderson. Miss Regina Coker of the public library was married in April to Cecil M. Rhoades and will make her home in Rutherford, N. J. Miss Coker was succeeded by Mrs. B. B. Mellinger of Goshen. Miss Jane Reed of Anderson and formerly on the library staff graduates from the Pratt Institute library school this year.

A new bust of Andrew Carnegie has been received at the public library. It has been placed in the reference room.

"Doll day" was celebrated at the children's Saturday story hour in March. Girls were invited to bring their dolls to be introduced and all met "Raggedy Ann," a recent present to the children's department of the library.

Hitty, the famous doll, was a guest of the Peter Pan Room at the public library for several days in April and attracted the attention of adult and juvenile patrons. A special story hour was held in Hitty's honor.

A second tier of bookstacks will be added to the stack room in the public library during the summer. The new floor is to be constructed of glass and steel. Work is to be completed by August 15.

Bicknell. School authorities and Marie Torr, librarian of the public library, are coöperating on the summer reading project

for the children of the public schools in the fourth to seventh grades. The outside reading the pupils have to do during the school year may be taken care of during the summer. Reports of the librarian will be handed to the teachers in the fall and pupils will be given credit for outside reading to those who read ten books from the library's carefully selected Gold Star Collection.

Bloomington. "Knee boots and plenty of spunk" is the secret of the service rendered to more than 3,000 school children of Monroe county by the Bloomington public library in connection with their county service begun last July. Miss Lois Henze has the "spunk" and distributed as many as 566 books in a single day from 8:30 in the morning to 3:30 in the afternoon besides driving about fifty miles to the county schools.

County Superintendent W. V. Payne said, "This library service to the public schools of the county is the finest thing that has been done in many years in Monroe county. The loan of books has saved the county schools hundreds of dollars since school began last fall. The state school inspector complimented the library on its service and without it would have required the county to spend many hundreds of dollars for books for individual libraries."

Miss Henze's record for February was the visits to 109 schools and the loan of 5,787 books. The library truck traveled 681 miles driven by Miss Henze. "We (the truck and I) have not been pulled out once. But one time we were pushed out by a bunch of willing youngsters when the truck was stalled."

During the school season the truck loaned 30,587 books, 6,866 of these adult books and 23,721 juvenile books. A total of 658 trips was made to the county schools, with a total mileage of more than 5,000 miles.

Bluffton. The public library is conducting a vacation reading trip around the world on the Bookland Special. Trains leave the library each day where tickets may be secured. It was necessary to adopt certain regulations for passengers, some of which are:

Tickets are secured at the ticket office, then deposited with the conductor, so that no tickets will be lost.

Plan your route. Consult the globe of the world.

Select the place you want to visit first.

Select books from shelves that are labeled.

When you have read a book return it to the desk and ask to have your ticket punched.

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Books belonging to the Bookland Special must be treated with care. Neither babies nor puppies should be allowed to touch them.

Passengers may dine when they wish.

No new clothes are necessary for these trips.

Quiet should prevail while traveling.

We hope to touch North America, Europe, Asia, Africa and South America. Side trips may be planned later.

Clayton. The library board has purchased a building formerly used for a bank for \$2,000 and has moved the new library into it. Mrs. Joe Hamblen has moved to Avon to become librarian there and is succeeded by Mrs. Ralph Wills.

Clinton. The Junior Art Club was awarded the painting "At the Hermitage" by the artist, Miss Bertha Lacey of Perryville, for the completion of three years study of art. In turn the club presented the painting to the public library.

Columbia City. The public library has recently received a portion of the library of S. P. Kaler given by Mr. and Mrs. Walpole Kaler and to be known as the Kaler collection. This collection contains books on local and Indiana history, Biblical works, books pertaining to politics, and literature in general.

Crawfordsville. The public library had an exhibit for two weeks of pictures from the Hoosier salon. All expenses of the exhibit were paid by the Kiwanis Club. F. L. Schlemmer, a Crawfordsville artist, gave an informal lecture on art one evening. It was a success in every way.

Miss Virginia Robertson, the children's librarian, has organized a Junior Literary Club of girls from the fifth and sixth grades. Officers were elected and the club will meet at the library twice a month.

Culver. Under the will of the late John Finney, of Culver, the public library received a gift of \$5,000. The sum is to be held in trust, the income to be used annually by the library board to improve and expand its work.

Elkhart. A memorial tablet of bronze to the late Miss Ella Corwin, made possible by the Thursday club of Elkhart, of which she was a member, other women's clubs in Elkhart and a number of friends and ad-

mirers, has been placed on the north side of the vestibule at the public library entrance. Miss Corwin had been librarian of the Elkhart public library for twenty-four years. The inscription on the tablet follows: To the memory of Ella Frances Corwin, librarian from 1904 to 1929, in grateful recognition of her spirit of service, this tablet is dedicated by the women of Elkhart.

Elwood. The Millyard by J. Otis Adams has been purchased by the public library from a private owner. The library also owns a very fine Steele, House of the singing winds, and can be proud of its beginning in art possessions.

Evansville. The appointment of Miss Mary Fretageot of New Harmony, but now librarian in Skidmore college library, Saratoga, N. Y., has been announced. She will succeed Miss Mary Walker as reference librarian, who will leave, August 1, for a period of travel. Miss Mildred Rettig will leave the catalog department, Sept. 1, for study at Western Reserve University. From the Illinois library school will return Miss Ruth Funkhouser, Miss Dorothy Eissler and Miss Ailene Murdock; from St. Louis library school Miss Elsie Strassweg.

There is considerable discussion of a project for a new building for the public library. It is proposed to turn over to the library Evans Hall, at Fifth and Locust streets. Evans Hall was erected as the result of a stipulation in the will of the late Mrs. Saleta Evans, which was executed in 1878. It was further stipulated that the building be dedicated to the cause of temperance. If a new library building is built it will have to contain quarters for the Women's Christian Temperance Union. The building later was abandoned as lack of finances prevented repairs or remodeling. The building has been considered a hazard for the past several years.

Fowler. The shelving of books has been made much easier because the Woman's Club has presented the library with a book

truck. It is proving a time saver as well as a labor saver.

Gary. The public library held its ninth annual book review meeting, March 31st, with a capacity audience. Reviews were given by citizens, there was music, and arrangements were made by a staff committee.

The East Side branch of the public library, located at Fifth and Georgia streets, was opened May 17th. The new unit, representing an investment of \$32,000, is a one-story structure of Indiana limestone. Joseph Wildermuth, Gary architect, drew the plans, this branch being the third in the Gary system he has designed. H. H. Olney of East Chicago is the builder. The library proper is divided into three sections. In the center is the main desk and reference library, on the left is the adults' reading room and on the right is the children's reading room. In the rear are club-rooms for neighborhood meetings and work-rooms for librarians. Maximum floor space is attained by the shelving arrangement, which is of the recessed type. Radiators are concealed, further contributing to the space. The structure will be heated by oil burners. The book capacity is 5,000 volumes with 3,000 on the shelves at opening. Mildred C. Becker will have charge of the branch.

Greensburg. The Carnegie library building, now twenty-five years old, has been entirely redecorated and a modern system of lighting installed, including two new pedestal lights in front of the outside entrance.

Greentown. Mrs. George L. Locke has resigned as librarian and Ethel Clark is acting librarian until a new appointment is made.

Hammond. The first annual book review sponsored jointly by the Hammond public library and the Hammond Woman's Club was held May 2nd in the Woman's Club building. It was a very successful affair attended by a large audience.

Indianapolis. Miss Alice Breedlove, on the public library staff for eight years until she resigned in November because of ill health, died March 25th at her home in Centerton.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Lynch Mason have given their library of 1,500 volumes to the Indianapolis public library. Mr. Mason, a retired attorney, is the author of several books on corporation law and of a pamphlet used in public school civic classes called *The government of Indianapolis*. Mrs. Mason is the daughter of Albert G. Porter, former Governor of Indiana.

An estimable gift which the public library has fallen heir to is the private library of Merrill Moores, former Congressman from the Seventh Indiana district. Charles W. Moores, executor of the estate, presented his uncle's library of some 400 volumes to the public library.

A collection of eighty rare, costly and useful volumes, dealing with all phases of art, has been presented to the Rauh Memorial Library by Mrs. Flora Rauh, in memory of her husband, the late Henry Rauh. He was a brother to Samuel E. Rauh, who, with his wife, gave to the city, late in 1929, what is now the beautiful Rauh Memorial Library.

The reading contest conducted by the Indianapolis *Star* with the coöperation of the Children's Room has been brought to a successful close after a duration of nearly five months during which time it met with a most enthusiastic response from the school children. The *Star* has published a pamphlet containing the book lists which will be used as a guide to children's reading this summer.

Mr. Dickerson was elected at the last business meeting of the American Association for Adult Education in Chicago to membership in the council which includes many prominent educationists.

A collection of books on modern poetry has been given to the Rauh Memorial library by Dr. Frank S. C. Wicks, pastor of All Souls Unitarian church. The col-

lection, which includes about 100 volumes, belonged to Mrs. Elizabeth Goodnow Wicks, wife of the pastor, who died several months ago.

About seventy students of the University of Illinois library school on their annual inspection trip visited the public library and the state library April 14-15. On the way to Cincinnati they also paid the Brookville library a surprise call. Dayton was included in the itinerary.

Arthur Bohn, Indianapolis architect of the firm of Vonnegut, Bohn and Mueller, will serve as the architectural adviser to the state library building commission. Plans for the building will be selected through competition and Mr. Bohn will plan the completion. The Commission will also consult the Indianapolis City Plan commission in selecting a site.

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Knightstown. The library of the Knightstown Soldiers' and Sailors' Home has been moved from the administration building to very attractive rooms in the new school building. The book collection was completely reorganized in April. They now have 3,500 volumes and plan to add many new books particularly for the younger children this year. Miss Bertha Elliott is teacher of home economics and librarian.

Lebanon. Miss Margaret Moore, children's librarian, was married to Maurice E. Updike in the spring and resigned her position. She is succeeded by Marie E. Hill.

Merom. Alice Thornton, librarian of the Merom public library for two years, died December 19, 1929. Doris Thornton, her sister, has been appointed librarian, and will attend Summer School this year.

Mishawaka. The public library building will be considerably rearranged this summer by converting the large auditorium into a children's department. The reference room will occupy the former children's space, thus giving over the previous adult space to magazine reading room and fiction shelves. Expansion was made necessary by increasing growth and use.

Monon. Miss Margaret B. McCord, librarian, was married April 18 at Kentland to A. Howard Lee of Monon.

Montpelier. The city council has instructed the city attorney to sue the bondsmen of the bank which closed a year ago in which the library had deposited \$902.95.

Newburgh. The public library board announces that it has invested \$6,800 of the Bethell fund in the purchase of seventeen Ohio township bonds of the \$400 denomination at 4½ per cent.

Newport. Miss Bess Lanham of Crawfordsville, who has been librarian of the Switzerland county library at Vevay for two years, has accepted the position of librarian in the Vermillion county library. The new county library received a gift of 555 volumes, donated by Dr. A. B. Coolidge of Washington, D. C., in memory of his wife, Reta Jones Hunter Coolidge, who was a native of Newport.

Pendleton. Margaret Ackles, who graduated in June from the University of Michigan library school, has accepted a position in the Flint, Mich., public library.

Rushville. Bids on the new building were opened in June and were favorably received.

It was also announced that the library is the recipient of a \$2,000 gift from the estate of Charles Alger. The administrators announced the gift. The money is to be used to provide books on religious and moral subjects.

Scottsburg. Miss Nellie Fatout of Indianapolis spent three months cataloging books at the public library this spring.

South Bend. The high spot of the year's work in the public library was reached April 2d with the opening of the new LaSalle branch library. It is located on the west side of the city on Lincolnway. An informal opening with a dedication program was held and aroused great local interest. There were 2,500 volumes placed in the branch. Miss Lucille Guerber is branch librarian and Miss Julia Jaquith assistant. It will open daily from nine to six and two days remain open till nine. The LaSalle library is the fourth branch of the public library to be established. The branch was named for Rene Robert Cavalier de LaSalle, the French explorer, who was the first white man to pass through the St. Joseph valley. LaSalle in making a portage from the St. Joseph river to the Kankakee river passed near the site of the new branch.

A bird naming contest was conducted by the children's department of the public library in March. The object was to learn the number and kind of unusual birds seen in the vicinity during the month. The name of the bird seen, together with size, coloring, locality and date of observation were written on a printed slip and left in a ballot box at the library. Names of the boys and girls to have seen the various kinds of birds first were announced April 1st.

Spencer. Miss Floy French of Columbia, Missouri, has taken charge of the public library, Mrs. Martha Weymouth having resigned. Miss French has been librarian of the Missouri College of Agriculture.

Spiceland. The library maintained for the last eight years in a room in the bank

has been reorganized as a public library. Town and township have established a tax, larger quarters will be secured and a librarian chosen to take the summer course at the State library.

Tell City. In memory of the late Albert Bettinger of Cincinnati, formerly of Tell City, Mrs. Bettinger will present to the Tell City public library, of which her husband was a benefactor, a replica of the bronze tablet dedicated to the memory of Mr. Bettinger by President Hoover in Eden Park, Cincinnati, last fall on the occasion of the celebration of the completion of the canalization of the Ohio river. A replica of the Ohio river historical tablet which was dedicated also by President Hoover at the same time is being presented to the library in memory of Mr. Bettinger by Judge Alfred K. Nippert, a close friend and associate of Mr. Bettinger. The Albert Bettinger tablet is in recognition of Mr. Bettinger's untiring efforts to reestablish the Ohio river as a waterway and to restore its earlier importance. Although Mr. Bettinger did not live to see the completion of the canalization of the river, it is recognized that his work and influence played the major part in the consummation of the project. The Ohio river historical tablet depicts scenes along the river and in its history, and commemorates the great part it played in the development of the west.

Terre Haute. Miss Edna Brown, assistant at the State College library for eighteen years, died at her home May 9th following an extended illness.

Miss Olive Lewis, who has been serving as assistant librarian in the absence of Hazel Armstrong for a year at the State teachers' college, has been appointed on the staff of the Newberry Library of Chicago. Miss Lewis' home is in Lafayette.

Van Buren. Miss Agnes Strubble has taken the position of librarian in succession to Edith Anna DePoy.

Valparaiso. The Pinney-Clark Farmers' library, established by Mr. and Mrs. Ains-

worth Clarke for the benefit and use of Porter county farmers, has been placed in the First State bank. It is a small but carefully selected collection of books on agriculture and any farmer can draw out books without cost.

West Lafayette. An unusual occurrence was the theft of an entire 37-volume encyclopedia from the main reading room of the Purdue university library which was accomplished in April.

Possibly we may enumerate as follows the principal things to be found in the American Public Library, introduced within the past half century and not generally found in libraries elsewhere:

1. The open shelf.
2. Home use of books.
3. Treatment of replaceable material as temporary.
4. Regarding the reader as well as the book as a library unit.
5. Keeping books in physical condition for hard usage.
6. Expansion of service, intensive and extensive.
7. Community use of branch buildings for various purposes.
8. Modernization of catalogs, lists and printed bulletins.
9. The cutting of red tape; increase of accessibility.
10. Service to groups.
11. Purchase of books with reference to community wants and needs, without undue delay.
12. Well-considered publicity.
13. Special aid to business and industry.
14. Special training for workers.
15. Their organization for mutual information and aid.
16. Adult education: the "Readers' Adviser".
17. Operation and support as a public body.—*Arthur E. Bostwick.*

The three-fold function of the public library—to educate, to furnish mental recreation, to inspire.





